

REMARKS

Claims 1-8, 11-17 and 27 presently appear in this case. No claims have yet been examined on the merits. The present communication is responsive to the official action of July 12, 2007. In the communication of July 12, 2007, the examiner stated that the application fails to comply with the requirements of the sequence rules as the amino acid sequences depicted in Fig. 7 have not been identified either in the figure or in its brief description, beginning on page 26 of the specification, by sequence ID number of the corresponding sequence, as listed in the sequence listing.

The 574 residue sequence from the clone P74 as shown under the line "cloned" in Fig. 7 is the sequence of Fig. 5B, which has already been given SEQ ID NO:6. Similarly, the 1428 residue sequence derived from the PAC clone RPCI5-1057I20 as shown in the "deduced" line of Fig. 7 is the same sequence as shown in Fig. 6, which has already been given SEQ ID NO:7. Accordingly, the description of Fig. 7 on pages 26 and 27 of the present specification has now been amended to refer to already existing SEQ ID NOs:6 and 7. For these reasons no changes to the sequence listing, either in paper form or computer readable copy, are necessary. The deficiency noted by the examiner has now been corrected by amendment to the specification only.

Other typographical errors noted in the specification have also been corrected.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the sequence listing requirement of July 12, 2007, and prompt consideration on the merits and allowance of all of the claims now present in the case are earnestly solicited.

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